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AN AFFIDAVIT OF Hackney Coaches.

JOHN *Bateſon* of the Pariſh of St. *Andrews Holbourn* Oylman, and *Joſiah Parker* of the Pariſh of St. *Giles in the Fields*, Beadle to the *Farriers* Company of the City of *London*, make Oath, That they on the 19*th*, 20*th* and 22*d* Days of *January* laſt, made Diligent Search in all places in *London*, and *Weſtminſter*, and within the Weakly-Bills of Mortality, and to our certain knowledge, there was not more at that time than 833 Hackney-Coaches, mentioned in the Shedules hereunto annexed, in Teſtimony whereof we have hereunto put our Hands,

John Bateſon.

January 23. 1693.

Joſiah Parker.

Sir *Lacon. Will. Child* one of the Maſters of Chancery.

Since this enquiry was made, ſeveral Coachmen have fail'd and been forc'd to leave off, by reaſon of the Dearneſs of Horſemeat, *&c.* The Hackney-Coachmen are very well ſatisfied, that there is not now above 700 Hackney-Coaches, that daily Work within the places above mentioned.

If this Honourable Houſe will be Pleaſed to order an Inſpecton into the truth of this matter, the Hackney-Coachmen will ſend two men with thoſe they Pleaſe to Appoint, and pay the Charge.

For theſe Projectors hath miſinformed this Honouable Houſe, which will Ruin a 1000 Families: Intending Advantage to themſelves, not the Government.